

NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Participation in the Government-wide Streamlining and Grants.gov Efforts

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has a small grant-making program, the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC), which has an average appropriation of \$6 million. The Commission awards approximately 95-105 discretionary grants per fiscal year. The staff of the Commission numbers ten at the present time. While we are not a member of any of the working groups, a representative of the NHPRC, and a NARA information technology staff member, attend monthly meetings of the Grants.gov stakeholders so we can stay up-to-date on the progress of the group and participate in discussions.

Internal Efforts to Create an Environment Conducive to Grants Streamlining and Simplification

General Approach

The NHPRC, along with NARA's policy staff and information technology staff, have been working to prepare for the changes that will result from the streamlining efforts. We are working with the Grants.gov team on finalizing our forms for posting on the site, and two members of our staff have attended the Grants.gov training for grantors. We are working on how best to prepare our internal management and IT systems to interface with Grants.gov.

Implementing the Recent Changes Affecting the Pre-Award Process

A. Grants.govFIND

100% of NHPRC's grant funding opportunities are posted in Grants.gov, and we have provided a link from our web site to Grants.gov.

B. Announcement Template

100% of our grant funding opportunities are posted using the announcement template.

C. The Grants.gov Portal for Electronic Applications

The Grants.gov team is near completion on the conversion of our forms to work with the PureEdge viewer. Once that effort is accomplished, and the forms have been tested, we will be ready to post our application packages on the Grants.gov web site. All of our grant programs will then be available in Grants.govAPPLY.